



Year 1 Curriculum News

September 2021

English

This term we will develop our writing skills. We will:

- Say a sentence aloud
- Count the words in the sentence
- Start our sentence with a Capital Letter
- Write the sentence using our phonics and HFW knowledge
- Remembering our finger spaces
- Re-read our sentence to check it makes sense

Our writing will include fiction and non-fiction. We will be focusing on *Peace At Last*, *Not Now Bernard* and *Mr Wolf's Pancakes*. The children will also develop their speaking and listening skills through drama and role play.

We will be practising our handwriting every day.

Maths

In maths, we will be focusing on number recognition, counting forwards and backwards and reading and writing numerals up to 100. We will also be practising our number bonds to 10 and 20 and developing our calculation skills. The children will also be learning about shapes.

Please count, practise number bonds to 10 and 20 and practise reading and writing numbers as much as possible with your child.

Wider Curriculum

In **Science** we will be learning about Autumn and Seasonal Change.

Art lessons will focus on abstract art, inspired by artists such as Beatriz Mihazes, Bridgit Riley and Jasper Johns.

Our **PSHE** theme will be 'Myself and My Relationships', where we will look at building positive relationships in new situations.

In **RE** we will be learning about Jewish rituals and festivals.

Reading

Please make sure your child brings their book bag to school every day. We have started phonics and will be changing your child's reading book once a week. Please see the front of your child's reading diary to find out which day your child will change their book. Year one will change their library books every Wednesday. Please ensure your child brings their library book to school on this day.

Please make sure you read with your child for 15 mins every day.

We will be sending home a list of High Frequency Words. Please practice these with your child.

PE

Year 1 children will have PE with the sports coaches every Tuesday. They will also have a PE session with their class teacher every Thursday. Please ensure your child arrives to school every Tuesday and Thursday in their PE kit.

On these days the children should wear a white t-shirt, black leggings or tracksuit bottoms and a pair of plimsolls or trainers. PE lessons will be outside as much as possible so please also include a sweatshirt.

Music

The children will participate in a weekly singing assembly with Erica. They will also learn songs and play percussion instruments during weekly music lessons.

Communication

We are in the playground every afternoon, but understand that you may not be there at pick up time due to other commitments. If you have any concerns or queries, please email the Admin Team and they will forward your questions to us. We will try to respond to them as quickly as we can. If you feel you need to book a meeting with your teacher please email the admin team and they will forward your request to us. We will use the text messaging system to try to keep you informed where necessary.